

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A cone crusher comprising:

a stationary concave liner;

a mounting base as a movable element which is movable about a substantially vertical axis and is capable of approaching an inner periphery of said concave liner and separating therefrom about a substantially vertical axis; and

a mantle liner fixed to said mounting base and positioned relative to said concave liner to form a crushing chamber therebetween, wherein a crush material is sequentially crushed in first, second and third regions of the crushing chamber,

wherein said concave liner comprises:

a first area surface at said first region and having a length of  $T$  to  $\sqrt{2}T$  in the direction of movement of the crush material from an inlet of said crushing chamber to an outlet thereof, said first area surface facing said crushing chamber, wherein  $T$  is a predetermined value;

a second area surface facing said crushing chamber at said second region; and

a third area surface facing said crushing chamber at said third region,

whereby said first to third area surfaces are sequentially arranged in the direction of movement of the crush material from the inlet of said crushing chamber to an outlet thereof,

and wherein said mantle liner comprises:

a first tapered surface, wherein a length of a perpendicular line from said first area surface to said first tapered surface at the inlet side of said first region is greater than  $T$ , a cross angle of said first tapered surface is less than  $20^\circ$  with respect to said first area surface, and an inclination angle of said first tapered surface is greater than  $60^\circ$  relative to the horizontal plane;

a second tapered surface, wherein a length of a perpendicular line from said second area surface to said second tapered surface at the inlet side of said second region is greater than  $0.5T$  and a cross angle of said second tapered surface is  $5^\circ$  to  $10^\circ$  with respect to said second area surface; and

a third tapered surface having an inclination angle of  $45^\circ$  to  $50^\circ$  relative to the horizontal plane;

whereby said first to third tapered surfaces are sequentially arranged from the inlet of said crushing chamber in the direction of movement.

Claim 2. (Original) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein said third tapered surface has a cross angle of  $2^\circ$  to  $3^\circ$  with respect to said third area surface.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein said second area surface has a length in the direction of movement of  $T$  to  $\sqrt{2}T$  and said third area surface has a length in the direction of movement of  $T/\sqrt{2}$  to  $T$ .

Claim 4. (Previously Presented) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein said first tapered surface has a length in the direction of movement of  $T/\sqrt{2}$  to  $T$ .

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein said second tapered surface has a length in the direction of movement of  $\sqrt{2}T$  to  $2.4T$ .

Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein said third tapered surface has a length in the direction of movement of  $T$  to  $\sqrt{2}T$ .

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein the curvature radius in a portion of the concave liner between said first area surface and said second area surface is  $1.4T$  to  $1.7T$ .

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein the curvature radius in a portion of the concave liner between said second area surface and said third area surface is  $6.4T$  to  $9.7T$ .

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein the curvature radius in a portion of the mantle liner between said first tapered surface and said second tapered surface is  $1.7T$  to  $2.0T$ .

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The cone crusher according to Claim 1, wherein the curvature radius in a portion of the mantle liner between said second tapered surface and said third tapered surface is  $13T$  to  $16.3T$ .

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A cone crusher comprising:

a stationary concave liner;

a mounting base as a movable element which is movable about a substantially vertical axis and is capable of approaching an inner periphery of said concave liner and separating therefrom about a substantially vertical axis; and

a mantle liner fixed to said mounting base and positioned relative to said concave liner to form a crushing chamber therebetween,

wherein a crush material is crushed in the crushing chamber,

wherein said crushing chamber comprises:

a first region defined by said concave liner and said mantle liner, wherein a crushing surface of said mantle liner at an inlet for the crush material is  $70^{\circ}$  to  $75^{\circ}$  to the horizontal plane and the angle between a crushing surface of said concave liner and the crushing surface of said mantle liner at the inlet is  $15^{\circ}$  to  $20^{\circ}$ ;

a second region defined by said concave liner and said mantle liner, wherein the crushing surface of said mantle liner at a middle part between the inlet and an outlet for the crush material is  $52^{\circ}$  to  $57^{\circ}$  to the horizontal plane and the angle between the crushing surface of said concave liner and the crushing surface of said mantle liner at the middle part is  $5^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ}$ ; and

a third region defined by said concave liner and said mantle liner, wherein the crushing surface of said mantle liner at the outlet for the crush material is  $45^{\circ}$  to  $50^{\circ}$  to the horizontal plane and the angle between the crushing surface of said concave liner and the crushing surface of said mantle liner at the outlet is  $2^{\circ}$  to  $3^{\circ}$ ;

whereby said first to third regions are sequentially arranged in a direction of movement of the crush material from the inlet to the outlet.

Claim 12. (Original) The cone crusher according to Claim 11, wherein the crushing surface of said concave liner is approximately  $90^{\circ}$  in said first area,  $57^{\circ}$  to  $62^{\circ}$  in said second area, and  $47^{\circ}$  to  $52^{\circ}$  in said third area, to the horizontal plane.